



Creating a Homeland Security Digital Library

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Agenda

- Background
- Vision & Mission
- Users & Requirements
- Content
- Collection Methods
- Storage
- Taxonomy
- Challenges
- Lessons Learned
- Views Over Time





Project Background



September 11, 2001



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HSDL Portal Vision

- Provide 24/7 access to high quality and relevant information to researchers, scholars, practitioners and decision-makers dealing with homeland security.
- Create a central repository of web-enabled documents, articles, government publications, state and municipal planning documents, grey literature, multimedia materials and contact information of subject matter experts in the various related fields.
- Provide tools and services to facilitate effective research and collaboration in the area of homeland security.

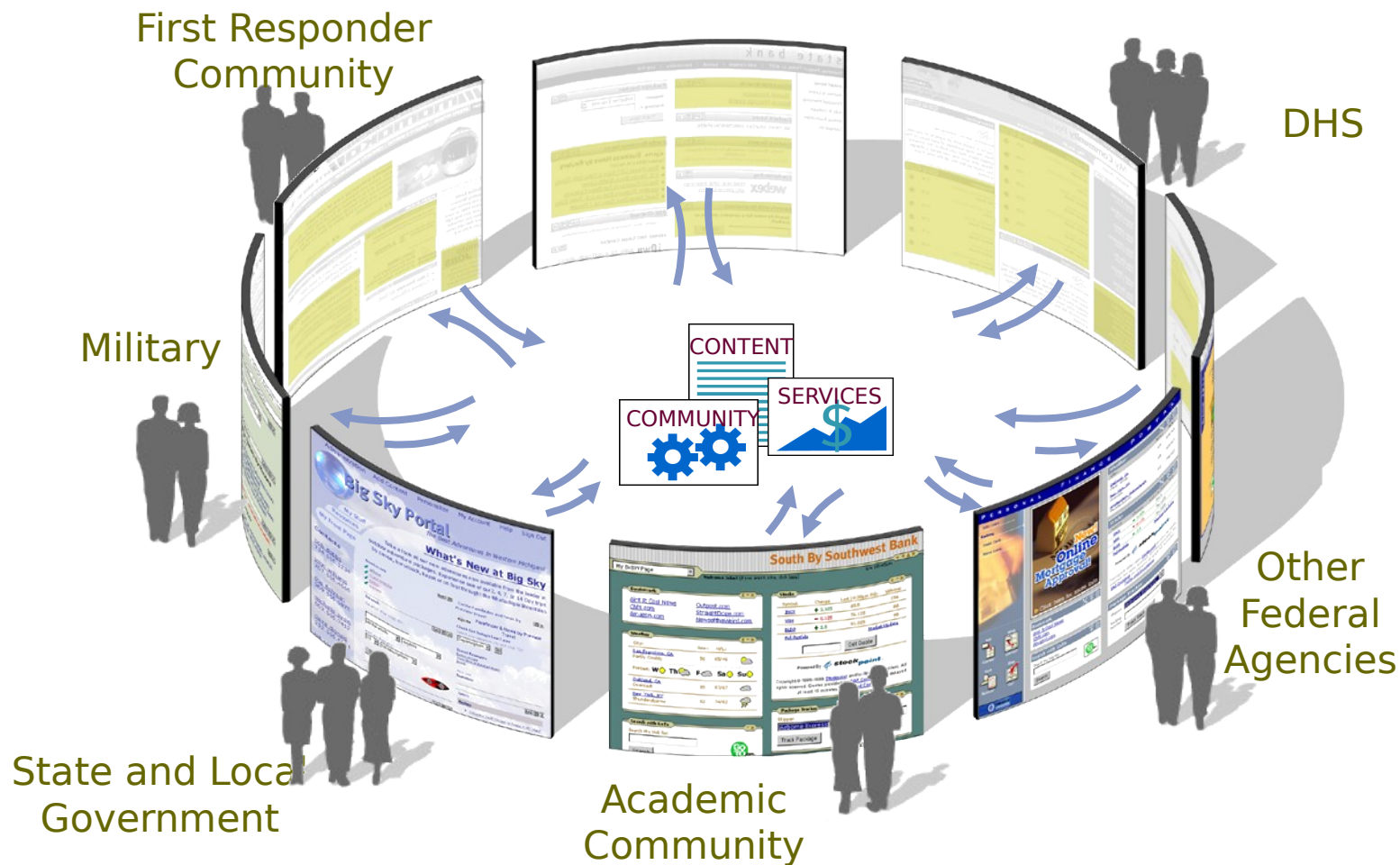
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HSDL Portal Mission



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Why a digital library?

Tracking dynamic information on the web

- Lots of information out there
- Redundancy
- Difficult to keep track of what's new
- Not well organized or described
- Time consuming to weed out authoritative information using a standard web search engine



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Why a digital library (2)?

Archiving & preserving the current debate



- Current digital documents permanently archived
- Share documents over distance
- One central repository devoted to this topic





Our Users

- NPS personnel [instruction & research]
- METs [executive education]
- Federal, state and local agencies
- First responders
- Public



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User Analysis & Feedback

- User analysis
- Briefings
- Focus groups
- Web logs
- Surveys
- Informal conversations
 - Faculty
 - Students





HSDL Content Scope

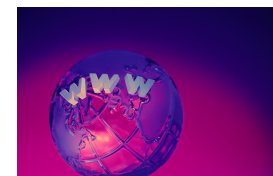
- Macro level
 - Historical and current debate
 - Policies
 - Decisions and issues
 - Technical and scientific information
 - Tools to help the first responder
- Primary emphasis
 - Support the NPS Homeland Security curriculum
 - Support NPS research
 - Support the Mobile Education Teams [METs]
 - Support the certification program
- Secondary emphasis
 - Government agencies [federal, state and local]
 - First responders
 - Public





Types of Content

- Library catalogs
- Local content
- Public repositories
- Commercial data sources
- Agency data sources
- Dynamic content
- Newsfeeds



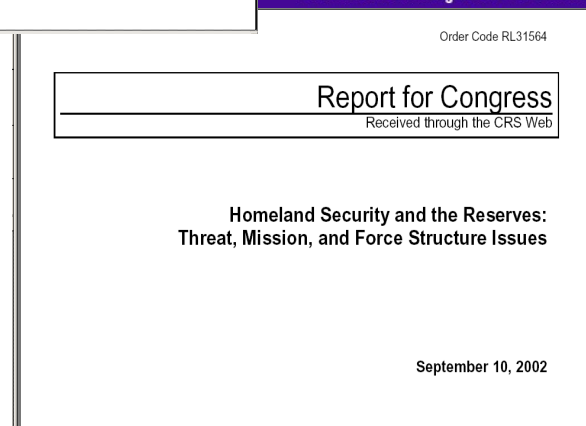
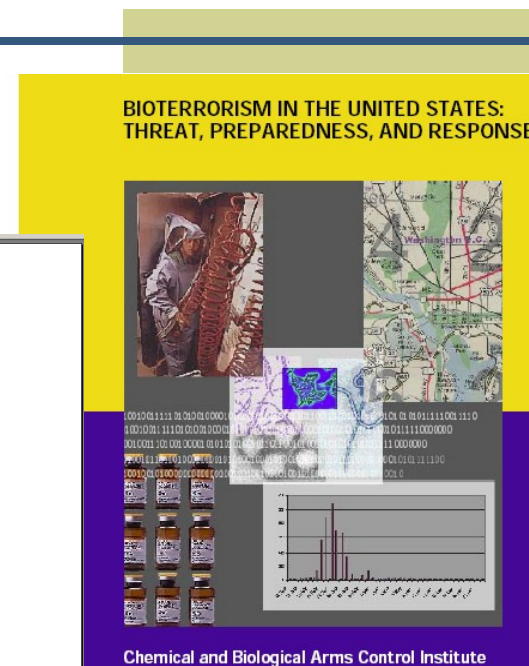
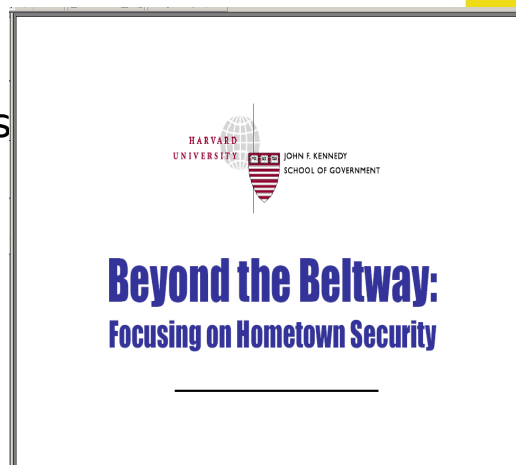
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Content Coverage

- Government documents [federal, state and local]
- Policies and procedures
- Research studies
- Theses and technical reports
- Think Tanks
- Case studies
- White papers
- Grey literature
- Public repository materials
- Legislative materials
- Agency data sources
- State and local plans
- Journal articles
- Internet sites
- Commercial database information
- News
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- Multimedia materials



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Content Format

- Format [preference toward standard formats]
 - Text [pdf, txt, rft, word, web hypertext]
 - Multimedia [ppt, audio, video]
 - Images [jpg, gif, tiff, bmp]
 - Data files [excel, MS access]





Content Issues

- Aggregation
 - Vulnerability to data gathering technology
 - Inadvertent disclosure of sensitive or critical information
- Copyright
 - Permission
 - Course specific
 - Hold local copy
 - Management
- Authentication
 - Audience
 - Level of access





Keeping Track

- Macro level
 - Access databases
 - Major agencies/sources covered
 - Eliminate duplication
 - When to revisit
 - Spider sites
 - Databases
 - Copyright permission
 - Granted
 - Denials





Collection Methods



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Finding the Information

- Web searching
 - Agencies [federal, state & local]
 - Think tanks
 - Organizations
- Alert services
 - Newsletters
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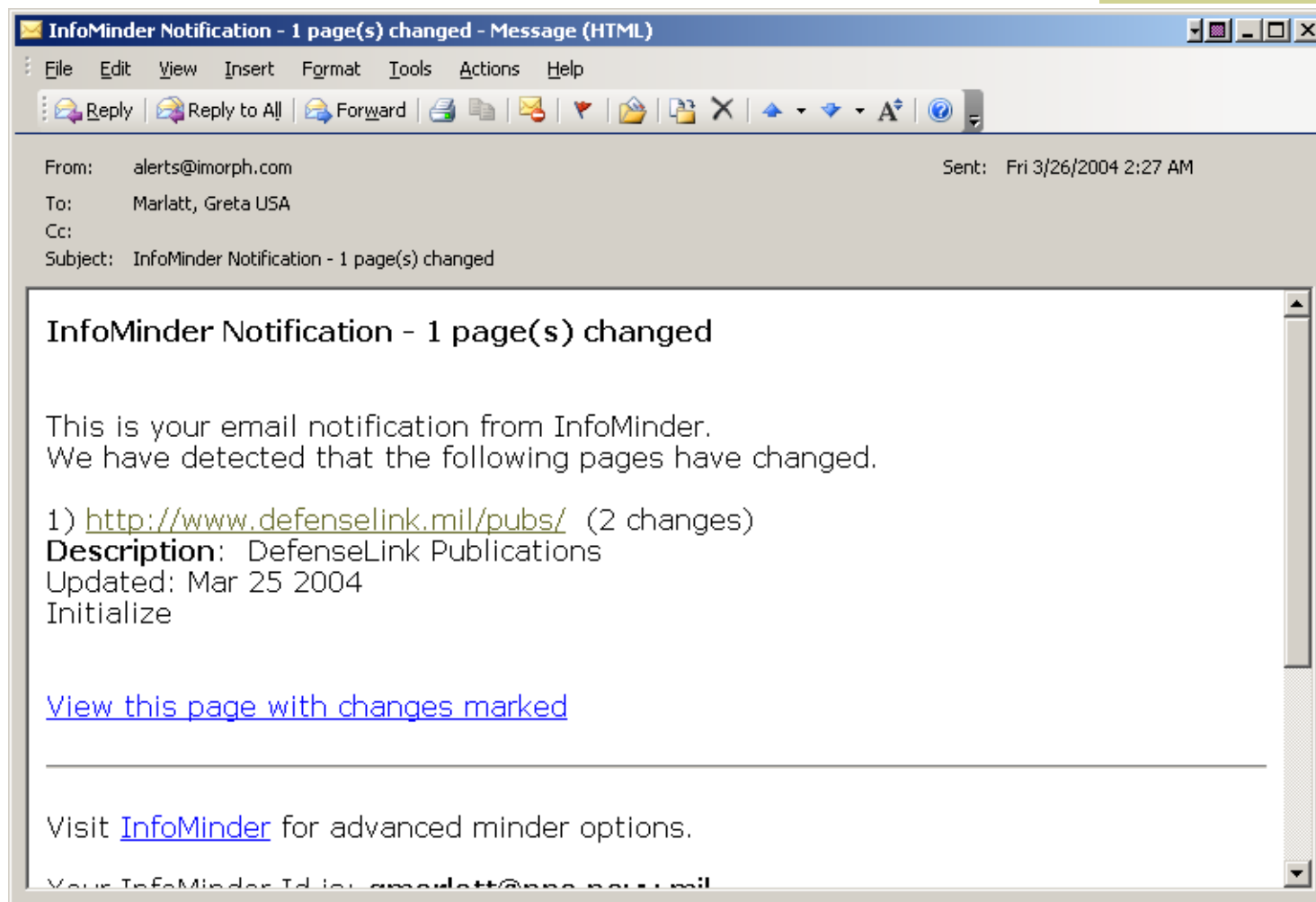
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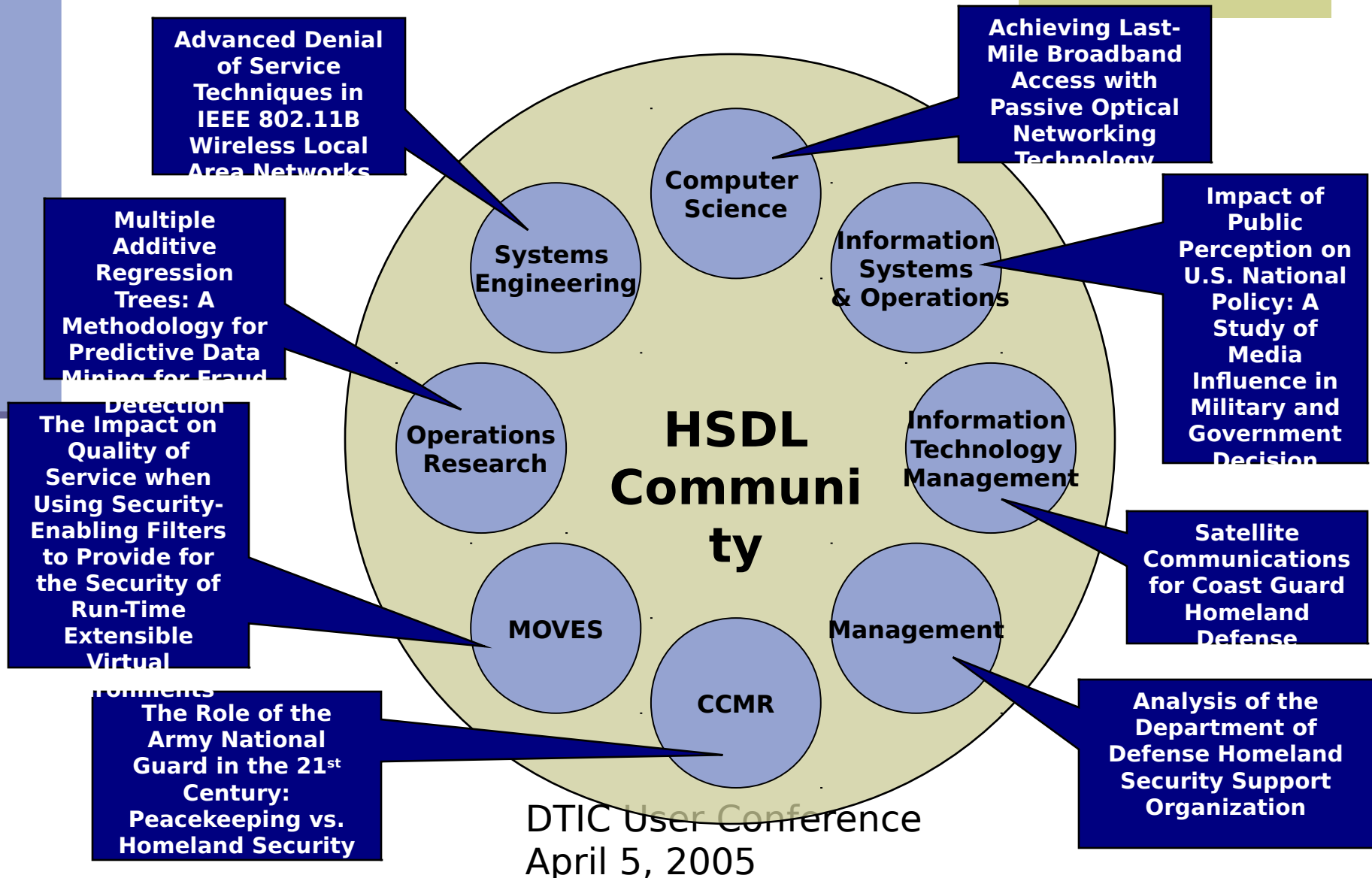


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Storage

Now that we have
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-- what do we do with it?



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Bethesda, MD 20892-9663
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September 2001
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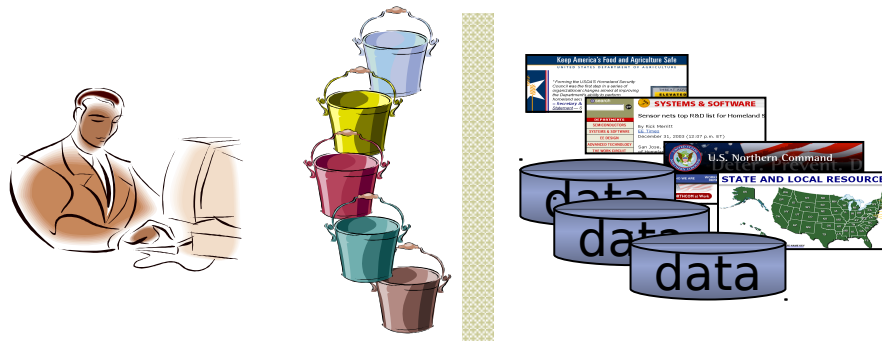
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Purpose of a Taxonomy

- Acts as a communication layer between users and information resources
 - Facilitates user navigation
 - Categorizes information





Purpose of a Taxonomy (2)

- Models specific subject domains
 - Defines scope of a domain
 - Communicates relationships between concepts





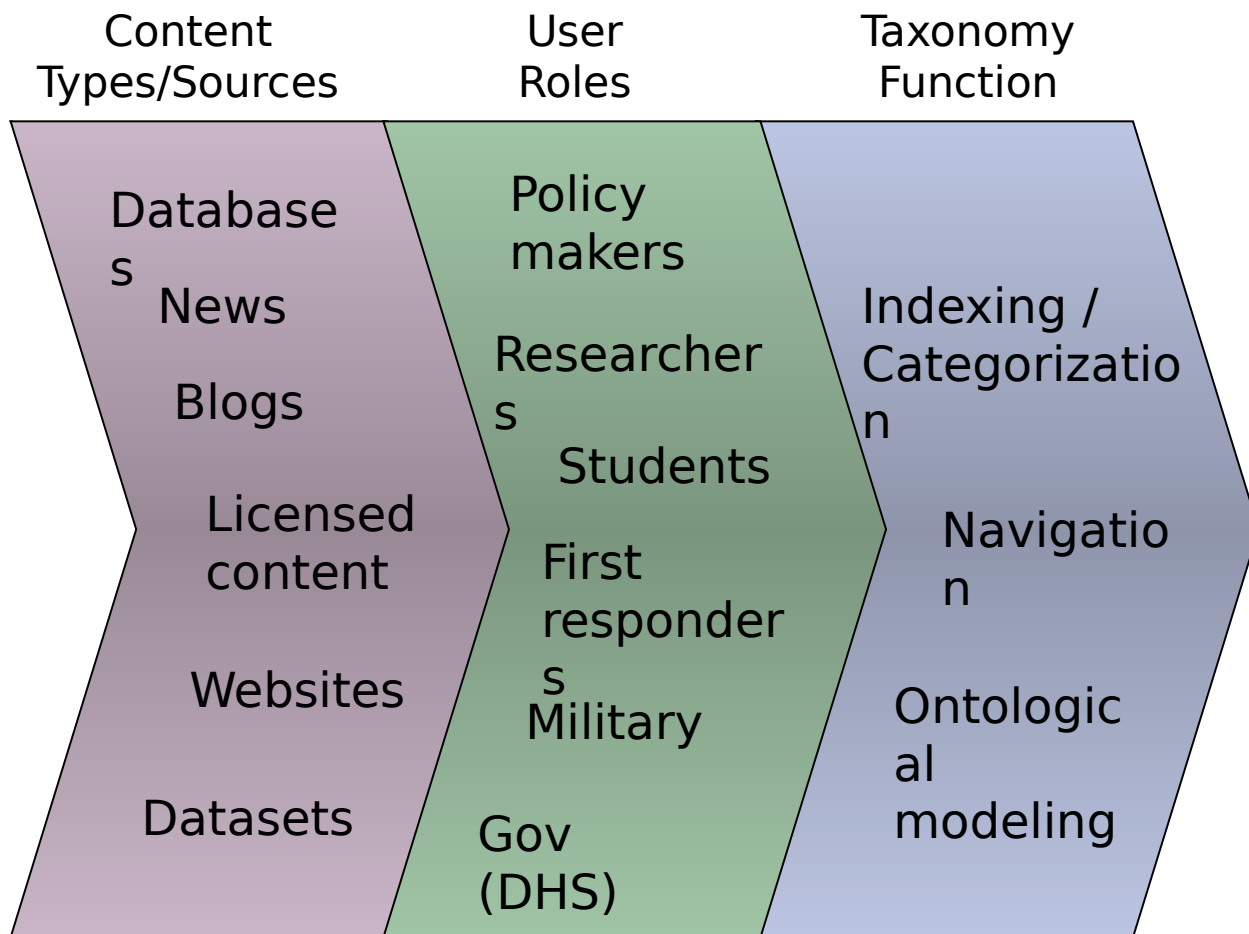
Purpose of a Taxonomy (3)

- Provides structure and consistency
 - Saves time and effort in information seeking
 - Creates a bridge between disparate information resources





Bringing Content to Users in Context



End User



Contextual Access

Relevant Labeling

Usability

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Purpose of the HS Taxonomy

- Required by the Homeland Security Digital Library to:
 - Define the scope
 - Index resources collected
 - Categorize search results
 - Enable users to navigate the HSDL portal



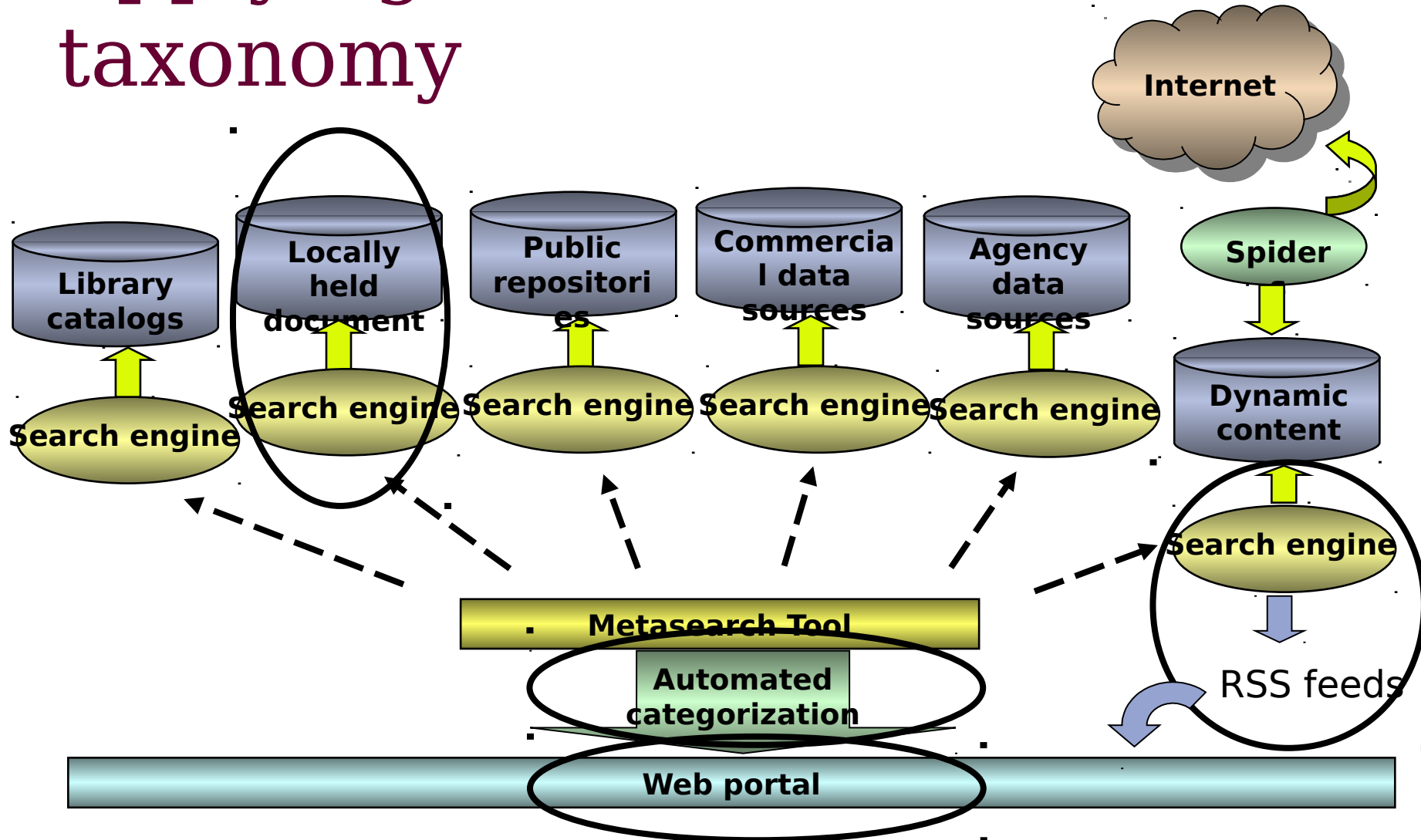


Taxonomy Design

- Process
 - Define scope
 - Collect terms
 - Identify tools & selection criteria
 - Select, install & implement
- Challenges
 - Staffing
 - Nature of topic



Applying the HS taxonomy





Challenges: Modeling

- Traditional, single hierarchical structure inadequate

Security

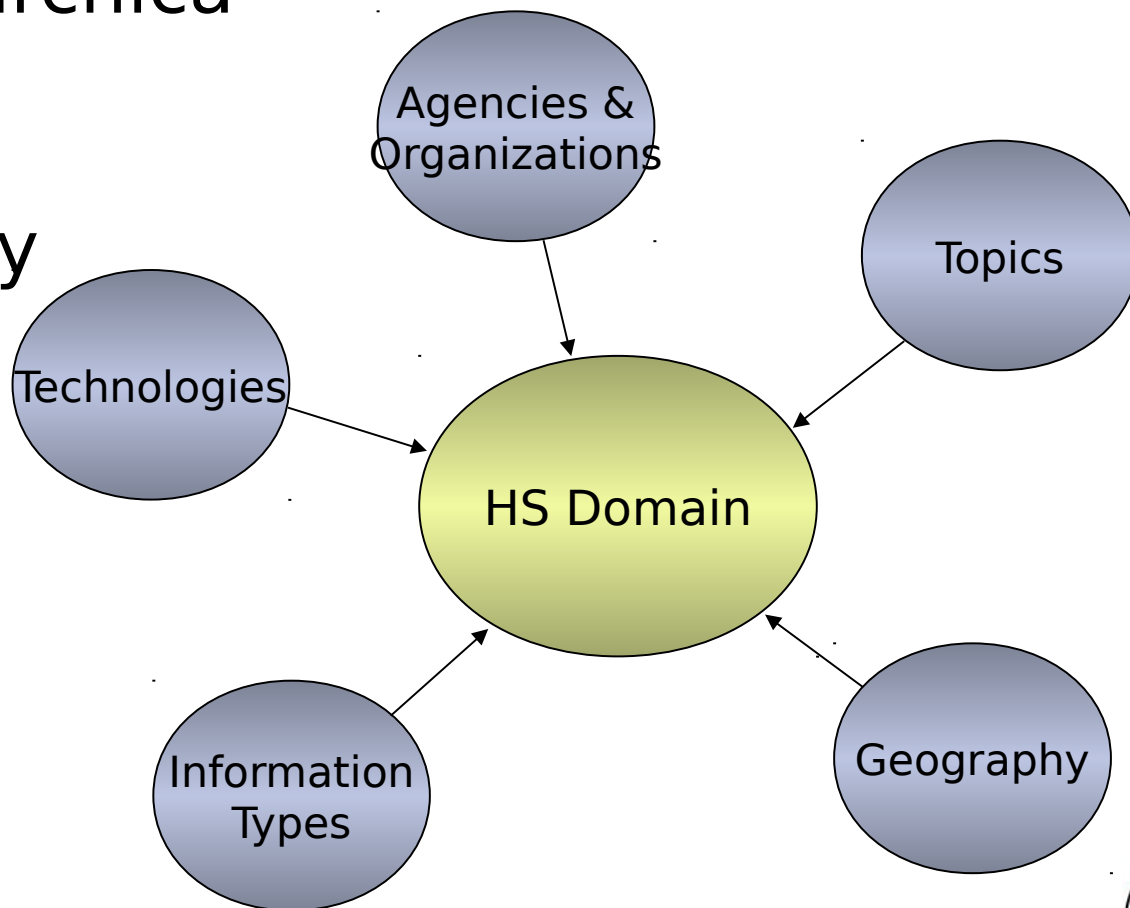
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Challenges: Modeling (2)

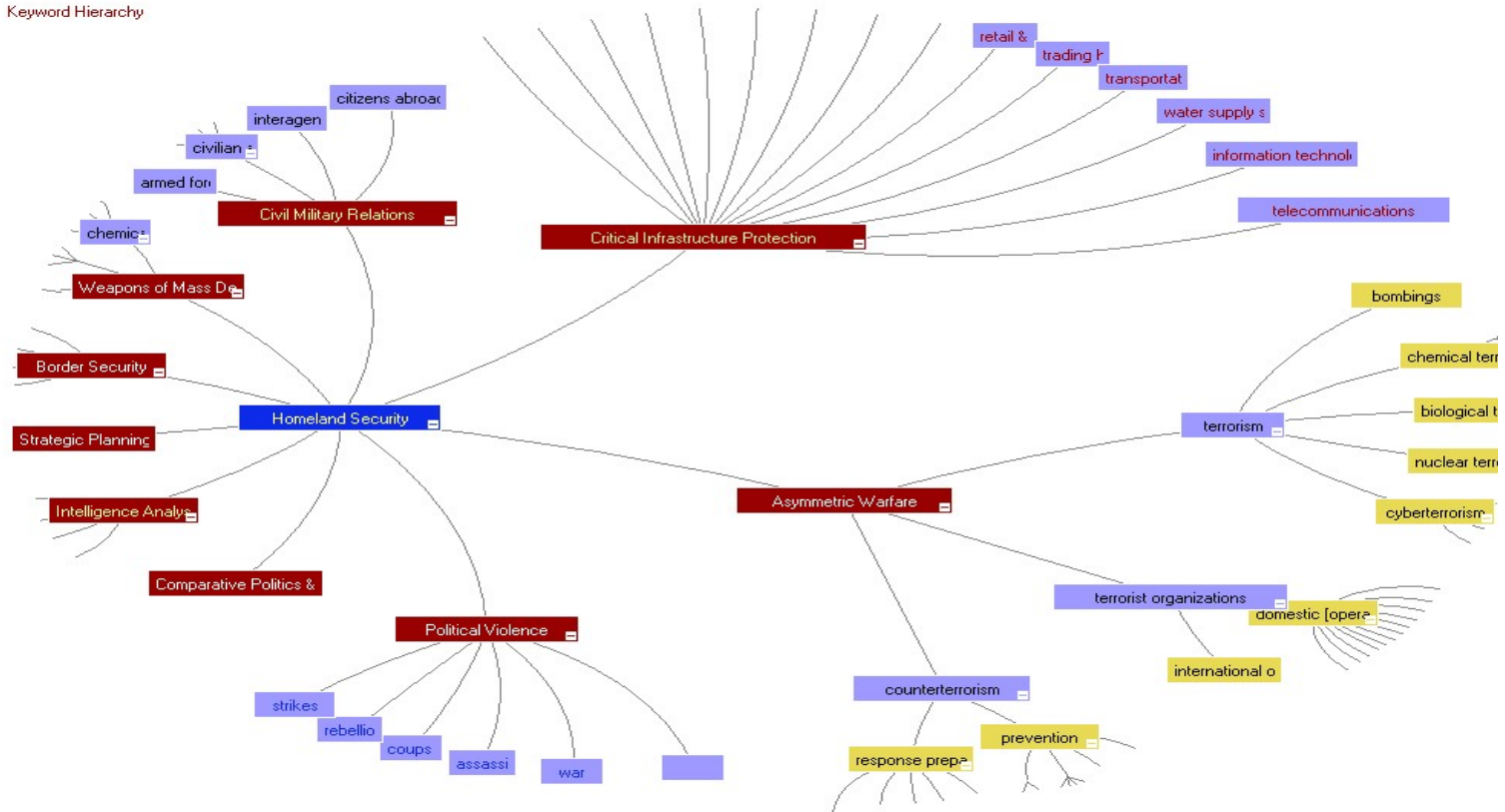
- Polyhierarchical access
- Faceted taxonomy





Taxonomy Visualization

Keyword Hierarchy





HSDL Taxonomy

Thesaurus: HSDL_Topics

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Borders & immigration

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Challenges



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Challenges

- Internal
 - Time
 - Bureaucracy, esp. in procurement
 - Staffing & communication
 - Logistics & equipment
 - Campus IT infrastructure & support
 - Funding, balancing requirements
 - Maintenance & quality control
 - Management





Challenges (2)

■ External

- Getting a handle on user requirements
- Opening access to non-NPS users
- Mission creep
- Defining partnerships

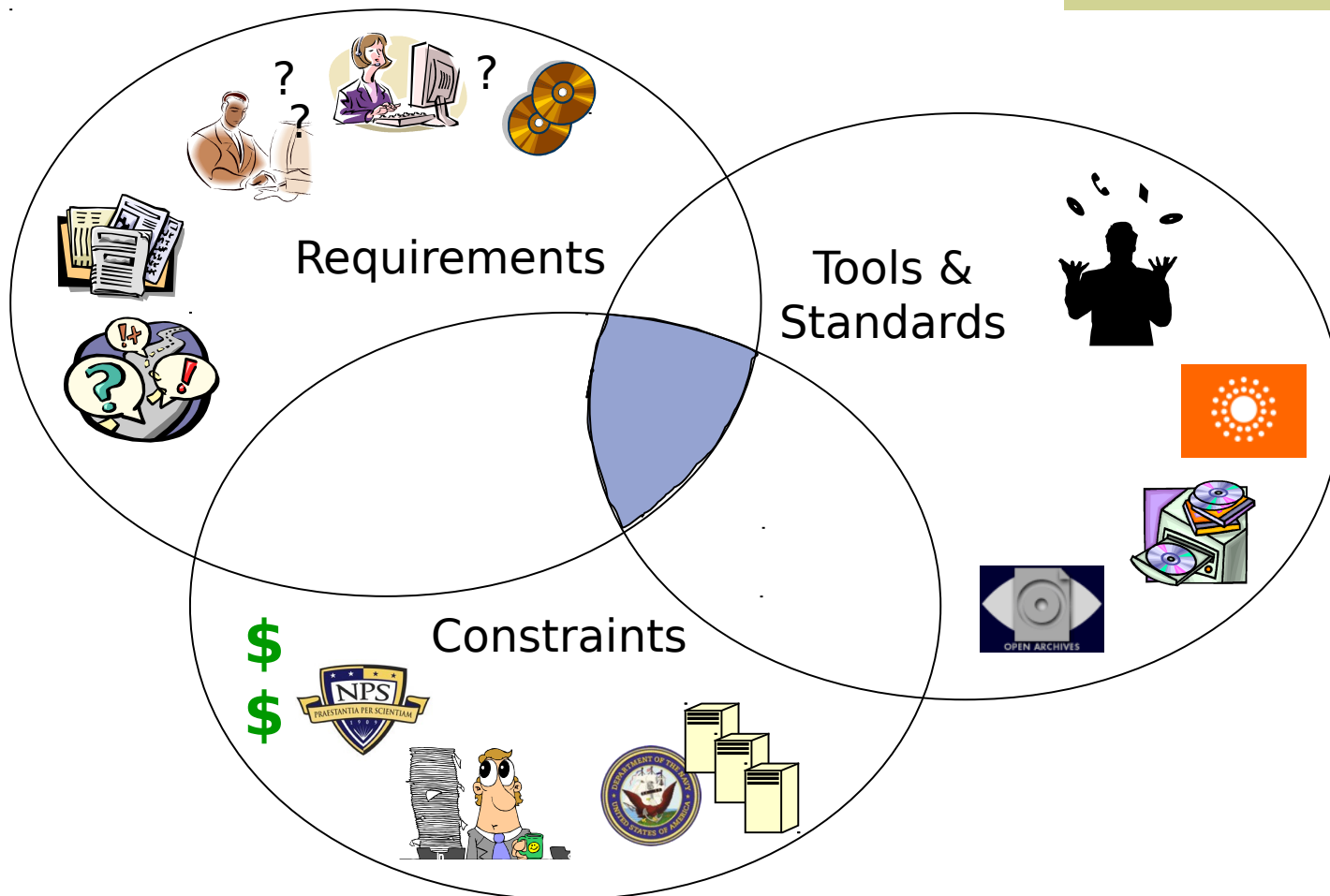
■ Others

- Taxonomy development
- Aggregation of data & information security
- Rights management
- Content management
- Keep them coming back!





Matching things up



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Lessons Learned



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Lessons Learned

■ Project Planning

- Focus on user requirements, not technology
- Build on small successes, nail milestones
- Learn from others
- Have a well defined plan
- Expect changes & adjust as you go
- Expect to make mistakes, have contingencies
- Leverage existing resources
- Be creative!





Lessons Learned (2)

- Scope management
 - Stick to the plan
 - Include a change process plan
 - Manage expectations & mission creep
- People management
 - Keep tabs on staffing issues
 - Build an effective team
 - Deal with personnel issues immediately
 - Develop clear expectations/deliverables





Lessons Learned (3)

- Communication management
 - Deal with communication issues immediately
 - Pay attention to documentation
- Time/task management
 - Balance priorities
 - Distribute workload accordingly
- Coordination with others
 - Determine impact of external requirements
 - Balance effort with value to mission
 - Determine what resources are needed





In the Beginning

Where we've been....

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"The bottom line is that homeland security is not about one Department, one level of government or one organization. It is a national call to action, a philosophy of shared responsibility, shared accountability, and shared leadership." ([Secretary Ridge's speech at Radio-Television News Directors Association and Foundation](#))

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Michael Chertoff, 51, has been confirmed by the U.S. Senate to replace Tom Ridge as the new Secretary of Homeland Security.

Chertoff gives up a lifetime appointment as a federal appellate judge on the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Philadelphia, to which he was appointed in 2003.



As the new head of the DHS, Chertoff will have the difficult task of managing a department created by merging 22 agencies and 180,000 employees.

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In the past two years there has been rapid expansion of an El Salvador-based street gang (MS13) throughout the U.S. While there is no fact to support allegations of Al Qaeda ties to MS13 [a.k.a. Mara Salvatrucha], the threat of gangs networking with terrorist organizations still exists.

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Hall, Molly J., et al. **"Preparing for Bioterrorism at the State Level: Report of an Informal Survey."** *American Journal of Orthopsychiatry* 72, no. 4 (October 2002): 486-491.



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Michael Chertoff, 51, has been nominated to replace Tom Ridge as the new Secretary of Homeland Security.

Ridge, the DHS' first secretary, announced [his resignation](#) on Nov. 30,

2004. Chertoff, who has won Senate confirmation three prior times, is expected to win Senate approval once again.

If he is confirmed by the Senate, Chertoff will give up a lifetime appointment as a federal appellate judge on the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Philadelphia, to which he was appointed in 2003.

If confirmed, Chertoff will have the difficult task of managing a department created by merging 22 agencies and 180,000 employees.

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Summary This directive, issued by President Bush on December 17, 2003, establishes policies to strengthen the preparedness of the United States to prevent and respond to threatened or actual domestic terrorist

Date Published 12/17/2003

Topics Citizen preparedness, Incident management, Community Emergency Response Team, Risk communication, Damage mitigation, Emergency communication, Training, Emergency planning, Medical support and services, Public safety
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Summary Emergency Response Card contains information regarding types of hazard/exposure, acute hazards/clinical signs/symptoms, prevention/personal protective equipment, and first aid/firefighting for nerve agent

Date Published 11/10/2003

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Title **Homeland Security Presidential Directive 7: Critical Infrastructure Identification, Prioritization, and Protection**

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Date Published 12/17/2003

Topics Risk communication

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Summary As requested in your letter of November 5, 2003, this letter provides our responses for the record to the questions you posed to GAO. At the subject hearing, we discussed the challenges that the Department

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Summary	The following report is an excerpt from the final draft of a book on Homeland Defense being prepared as part of the CSIS Homeland Defense project. A substantially revised version will be published as a Praeger book later in 2001. This report examines the threat of terrorist attacks as well as more conventional means of attack (including how the two might overlap), the impact of technological change on homeland defense, and challenges for response planning.
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Summary	The National Commission on Terrorism began its Congressionally mandated evaluation of America's laws, policies, and practices for preventing and punishing terrorism directed at American citizens. After		
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Title	New Craft of Intelligence: Achieving Asymmetric Advantage in the Face of Nontraditional Threats		
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Author	Steele, Robert David, 1952-		
Summary	This monograph is the third in the Strategic Studies Institute's "Studies in Asymmetry" Series. In it, the author examines two paradigm shifts--one in relation to the threat and a second in relation to		
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Religiously Inspired Terrorism



Hoffman, Bruce. *Inside Terrorism*. New York: Columbia University Press, 1998.
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